

IRISH-INDIAN MAY BE PRESIDENT OF MEXICO

Alvaro Obregon, Foremost Figure in Latest Revolt, Slated to Succeed Carranza.

HE IS FRIENDLY TO AMERICANS

Has Long Been Unique Character in Mexican Politics Serving His Country in the Field and as a Statesman.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15.—General Alvaro Obregon, the outstanding figure of the present Mexican Revolution, the Mexican forces to victory over Villa in the movement which made Carranza President of the republic in 1917. His military career began when he was twenty-eight years old. He had been a student, machinist, farmer and merchant in Nogales, Sonora, the town of his birth, where his family was well known, and first took the road at the head of his neighbors to protect their property from the looting of organized bandits. He was medium sized, stocky built, a fine specimen of his Irish-Indian blood. It has been said of him that he was "the only Mexican revolutionary general who never lost a battle."

The keynote to Obregon's character he recently voiced in the following words: "I would rather teach the Mexican people the use of a toothbrush than to handle a rifle. I would rather teach them in schools than in battle fields. I prefer any day a good electrician, machinist, carpenter, or farmer to a soldier. His attitude toward foreign investors was shown at the same time by his declaration that 'a country without capital is like a body without blood.' He opposed Carranza's foreign policy and his antagonism toward the United States.

Obregon in 1911 quelled the revolution of Pascual Orozco in Chihuahua. Later, when President Madero had been slain and Huerta assumed the presidency, Obregon, who had retired from military life, again became a military leader. In 1914 he defeated Villa at Coahuila and Tehuacan after thirty-three days of fighting. It was as part of the plan of Guadalupe, by which the rebels against Huerta's dictatorship took the name of constitutionalists, that Obregon and Carranza met. When Carranza became President he appointed Obregon his Minister of War. At the inauguration, the general rode beside Carranza in the procession in Mexico City.

At Minister of War, in 1916, Obregon went to the border and negotiated with Major-General Hugh C. Scott and Frederick Panzer, then the withdrawal of the American troops sent into Mexico shortly after the raid on Chihuahua. New Mexico. Some time later, upon visiting Washington, he was the guest of President Wilson.

Broke With Carranza. The break between Carranza and Obregon came about two years later. Obregon, meanwhile, having resigned his post. On June 1, 1919, having returned to Mexico from a visit to the United States, he announced his candidacy for the presidency, saying: "I am, and will be, a faithful friend to those who with blood and brains answered the call of the country."



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against Huerta, who murdered Madero. But I will be the enemy of those who pretend that their services must be paid for with the same liberties which Huerta usurped and which we swore to return to the country."

Obregon's pronouncement, issued from his farm in Sonora, answered Carranza. He immediately denounced him from his title of general of a division to a Lieutenant-colonel. The general had many supporters in the Mexican Congress, however, and to some of them he owed his escape early in 1920 from a trap set for him.

Joined Sonora Secessionists. Obregon went to Cuernavaca where he announced himself in sympathy with the secession of Sonora which, on April 11, had been declared by its Governor, Adolfo de la Huerta, because of a threatened invasion by Carranza troops. Other states followed the example of Sonora and revolted against Carranza. Early in May Carranza fled from Mexico City and Governor de la Huerta, accompanied by Obregon and General Pablo Gonzalez, entered the capital. Governor de la Huerta was chosen by the anti-Carranza leaders as the provisional President of Mexico, pending an election.

General Obregon, while declaring he would take the field against any foe in case of intervention, for years and needed for a better understanding between the people of the two countries. He challenged the justice of the United States Senate's investigation of Mexican affairs. General Obregon married twice. His first wife, whom he married when he was twenty-three, died in 1903 after two children had been born to them, a son, Humberto, and a daughter, Isidoro. When he left the army he married again, his second wife being the daughter of Don Francisco Poin.

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